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Dear Yu Lee:

These old records surfaced from a carton of miscellaneous items. I am sending them to you to tuck in one of the boxes. Fred Scott said once he'd like to get his hands on Jim's old records. Jim was going to Georgetown Univ Class '32, but the notes appear to be taken in Woodbridge and Occoquan.

I had intended writing to you before this to tell you that I am pleased at the interest of the VSO. If the records ever serve a purpose, and the VSO wonders what to do with them, there is always a home here, or with Susan. Susan Eike Spalding will probably always live in her mountain home. Her address is in the list of members.

Best wishes

Claire



L. E. Jernoy, Lucia  
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III	-	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>
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P Jernoy  
D Shue

B Biech  
Lent Lupton  
Heft

Mr Hart

1831

Woodbridge -  
Gauguan  
area



Aug. 28, 1931 - Fri.

Heard white-eyed vireo  
over in gully, when coming  
back from paper-bark-

Heard Redstart &  
Killdeer.

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Beside Pond -

Heard chickadee -  
with them were two  
Downy Woodpeckers,  
Some Nuthatches, quite  
a number of Pine Warblers  
& at least one Chestnut-  
sided Warbler. Pine w's.  
were all three trees,

Beewa calling  
Female M. yellow thro in bushes over



stream, by ~~the~~ must not lead + pool.  
Another piece on lead  
top of a maple near dark  
Pool + Big Maple

Cardinal Chipping  
Near Big Maple in March  
Ovenbird in young  
beech across stream  
from Big Maple...

Young Female Cardinal  
in Bushes under Big Maple  
In ~~bushes~~ under Maple -  
Ovenbird + Immature  
Carolina Wren.

In bushes where Cardinal  
was - Northern Water  
Thrush - noticeably  
smaller than Lark.  
Buff line over eye ✓

similar paper wash on  
under parts - liberally  
streaked - puffed  
tail continually - very  
tame.

Near Hooded W.  
singing down in woods  
beside Marsh.

Several Reeves now  
calling -

Flock of swallows high  
over marsh - wide - square  
cut tail - circling -  
a few swifts seem to  
be with them.

Male Summer Wren  
calling in young oak above  
road - another bird I couldn't



IV  
see. He is now calling in  
a hickory tree.

Great Crested Flycatcher  
calling constantly  
near pond.

Yellow-throated  
Warbler in pine  
beside pond —  
also Chest-sided  
W.

At this end of pond  
at opening to path —  
Yellowthroated Vireo.  
Chestnut-sided W.  
Yellowthr. W.  
Many chickadees & Nuth.

One Chickadee seemed  
prettier than others -  
much whiter on sides  
of face - pinkish -  
chestnut wash on  
sides - black more clean-  
cut,

Titmouse singing  
Female or Male Sc. Tanager  
Titmouse calling & singing

Several Red-eyed  
Vireos in top of trees  
near old mill

In pines over &  
beside the path to the  
house, from the pond -



VI

One Black & white Warbler  
One Yellowthroated W.,  
Many pine warblers,  
Several (at least) Chestnut-  
sided W's., A yellow-  
throat, vireos, & some  
chickadees, also a few  
peewees calling. A Red-eyed  
Vireo in the group too.

By Persimmon trees  
- some field Sparrows,  
& Titmouse.

Aug. 29, 1934 - Sat.

Adult Bald Eagle flying  
over lot in direction of  
Bubb's house.

Pine Warblers in pines.  
Nuthatches calling.

Hummingbird in top of  
pines on hill above pond.

Summer Tanager Calling  
in Hollow near Castle Woods.

Red-eyed vireo in cedar  
back of Park Pond on hill.

Blue-Gray Gnatcatcher  
calling in marsh (upper).

Hooded Warbler  
calling on Laurel ~~hill~~  
bank across falls.

Just across outlet,



at little <sup>II</sup> pool were two  
or more phoebes. As  
I walked up to the  
pool a male Redstart  
flew up to a limb about  
a foot from my face,  
I almost broke his neck  
flying quickly to a perch  
a yard or so away. A  
female Black & white  
warbler sat tamely on  
a point over the pool,  
preening her wet plumage  
after a bath.

Saw a bird several  
times that looked like me  
like a female Black-

III

Red-breasted nuthatch  
calling,

Pair of large shiners  
up in little pool where  
I saw large eel (Eel pool)  
One larger than other, both  
swimming slowly about.

Small flock of  
field sparrows out  
in garden, on fence line  
near blackberries.





Apr. 30, 1931 - Sun.

14th. Snake Killed

2½ ft. water snake  
beside & partly under  
a large rock beside  
the large pool in the cattle  
woods. The bullet nearly  
tore its head off - the first

Super-X live ever shot -  
a long rifle. I used a  
second to help finish it,  
& my ears ached.

Snip squirrel near  
here.

Seen today -

Field Sparrows -  
Pine W's.



<sup>II</sup>  
yellowthroated vireo.  
Yellowthroated A.  
Hooded W. singing.  
Chickadee Titmouse.

Two flocks of night-  
hawk each containing  
15 or twenty birds.

Aug. 31, 1931 - 7 am.  
Black & white W.  
Red-eyed Vireo.  
Downies.

Peewees.  
Male Scarlet Tanager -  
with one streak of red  
left between legs.

burnian than the one  
I saw the other day.

Smaller, & more  
yellow below - also  
seemed to have a  
crown patch; no stripes  
on sides; I could not see  
it well. <sup>Had white in tail,</sup>  
<sup>also.</sup>

Also a chestnut-  
sided w. here, & another  
male Redstart, a number  
of Chickadees & Titmouse  
& one nuthatch.

Also a female downy.  
Down near pipe  
pool - flock of Robins &  
one female Downy.





Sept. ~~19~~<sup>1</sup>31 - Tues.

Went hunting about  
8 O'clock -

Got two squirrels with  
one shot out of hickory  
tree in marsh along stream  
up back of Dark Pool.  
Only saw one, shot it, &  
one dropped on each  
side of tree. Had to  
shoot one a second

time - Male & Female.  
Black & White Warbler.  
Hooded W.  
Blue-Gray Gnatcatcher.  
Red-eyed Vireo.



<sup>11</sup>  
Yellowthroat ~~Wren~~ Warbler

Pine Warbler.

Redstart.

Brown thrasher

Carolina Wrens.

Chickadees.

Titmice.

Nuthatches.

Peewees

Downies (2)

Field Sparrows.

Sept. 2, 1931 -

Nighthawks over Woodbury.

Sept. 3, 1931

In Hunting Creek at Alex. -

White Heron & Immature Little Blue  
seemed large - one buff color  
seen over. all large

III  
? 8/31/31-

could??

Ovenbird flew up  
out of lamella, & a  
male Hooded W. came  
up too. I called &  
they came up to about  
10 ft, & me, very curious.  
The flycatcher came back  
& lit beside the ovenbird -  
the Hooded W. lit beside the  
flycatcher, & then chased  
him by steps down  
thru the woods - flycatcher  
slightly larger than W.

Another Ovenbird  
farther down path.  
Also young wood-



Thrush in same  
place - clipped - & adult  
came hopping across  
path & led it into bush.

Oven-bird kept near  
young thrush. It flew up  
on limb of Laurel - Oven  
bird lit about 1 ft. away.  
Thrush has only short  
tail.

Headed Warbler  
singing up behind  
me where I just  
saw him.

Three Salamanders on  
Mushroom.

V

In woods near Gnato,  
point - Male Hooded  
W. flushed by I started  
singing in laurels -  
when I answered he  
kept on singing constantly.

Peewee.

Pine Warbler in oak.

Chestnut-sided W. (Female)  
in oak - eating blue-grass.

Male Sc. Tanager in  
same Oak - little  
streak of red left  
between legs.

Female Bl. & wh. W.  
on laurel 1 ft. above

ground - now hunting  
all three - larks, going  
to ground after something.

Ovenbird nearby,  
Chickadees in trees overhead  
& around me.

Titmouse on limb  
Another " in tree.

Two Bl. & Wh. W. now  
here.

Hairy Woodpecker  
hammering slowly.

Chestnut sided Warbler  
in locust tree near fallen  
Pine W. in Pine beside  
locust.

Bl. & Wh. W. in young  
Maple under locust.



VII  
Another <sup>red</sup> Salamander  
at base of big fallen  
tree near locusts

Yellow billed ~~co~~  
Cuckos calling in  
wards close by.

Another red salamander  
on open ground near first  
tree.

Only red one of first  
tree still visible by  
Mushroom.

Over bird below  
falls in other tree over  
honeysuckle -  
Goldfinches in trees  
beside pond singing.

VII

Chestnut sided W; &  
Bl. & wh. W. in oaks  
beside pond, adjoining  
big black oak.

7 light hawks - 4 - over  
house & field -  
Pair of Indigo  
Buntlings

Sept. 5, 1931 - Sat.

~~Went to Bents Camp~~

Saw male Summer  
Tanager in top of old  
wild Cherry tree, flycatching  
Heard Catbird!

Sept. 6, 1931 - Sun.

Went to Bents Camp.

Saw Osprey -

one wood pecker going  
from woods out toward  
river. One Kingfisher.

Saw two Black-  
Crowned Night Heron



II  
fly from aural clump  
of trees. Another  
one flew up out of  
marsh nearby,  
carrying an eel!

Many *Babulites*.  
Brent says yellowlegs  
are here.

Some sort of sand-  
piper here - still?

Four Wood Ducks  
going from river  
back to marsh.

Sept. 7/1931 - Mon.

Catbird calling.

<sup>1st</sup>  
Mourning Dove  
near Rake pool flying  
about x

Wood Thrush up near  
tree with Downy wood  
pecker

Blackpoll W. in  
a tree nearby.

Now three Black-  
poll W's, hunting the  
trees - also two Wood  
thrushes here.

Killed 16th. Snake -

2½ or 3 ft water snake,

Near Persimmon trees  
Pine Warbler singing &

hunting thru trees.

Also a few Blackpoll  
warblers, several  
Red-breasted Nuthatches,  
a pair of Downies,  
one Parula W., &  
Titmice & Chickadees.



Sept 9, 1931 - Wed. - 1931

On hill over pond

four fairly large warblers  
light grey underneath -  
darker on top - pair of  
light wingbars - darker  
wash on throat

Coopers's Hawk

flying so high above  
pond he is merely  
an unidentifiable speck  
without the glasses.

Red-eyed vireos passing  
near bank pool.

Pine Warblers singing

near ~~pond~~ marsh in  
woods beside big tulips

tree broken by lightning.  
Several perches here  
also - at least a youngster  
(one) being led by adults.

Pair of pine w.  
fighting - one  
immature, adult  
brightly colored.

Chickadee calling;  
Scarlet Tanager calling  
"pewit". Phoebe.

At house this A.M.  
one Catbird -

Young male ~~Red~~  
~~Orange~~ Hooded  
Warbler - only one

(111)  
edging of hood.  
Several ~~Brown~~  
Thrashers "Chucking"  
~~near~~ in garden near  
barn.

Went onto woods  
back of chicken house  
at noon, having  
heard chickadees  
calling a great deal.

Many birds were  
in the tall oaks that  
stand over at the top,  
& have limbs growing



TV

locus loc. Here I  
saw the first  
Blackburnian W.

I have even identified  
positively, tho I think  
I saw a female  
last week. A

beautifully colored  
male was here, his  
colours fairly

blazing as he  
hunted. ~~His mate~~  
A female was ready.

V

I saw at least  
one ~~more~~ female.  
There was at least  
several of the  
Blackburnians  
in this group.  
With them were  
many Chestnut-  
sided warblers -  
none showing any  
Chestnut.

There were quite  
a few Black-

VI

throated ~~warblers~~

Green Warblers,  
both male & female,  
the first I've seen  
this ~~year~~ fall; they  
are beautiful birds  
too. There was one  
Redstart ~~found~~  
Blue-Gray Gnatcatcher,  
one Blayff & wh. W.  
Several Red-eyed  
Vireos, one Yellow  
Throated Vireo, one



Yellowthroated  
Warbler, ~~Seven~~  
 a number of Pine  
Warblers, what  
 seemed to me a  
 number of Blackpoll  
Warblers, but  
 probably were  
 (Bay-breasted)  
 some other kind, one  
Parula, at least  
 one pair of Downy  
Woodpeckers.

VIII

Several birds  
that seemed to  
be Philadelphia  
Vireos; resembled  
Warblers closely.

Scarlet Tanager  
(Female?) on ground  
under apple trees, &  
in trees in front of  
Chicken houses.

Sept. 11, 1931 - Fri.

A white-eyed  
Vireo calling in  
"Redstart Bottom"

Also a female  
Hooded Warbler  
Hunting busily &  
then preening at  
the top of a young  
tree 15 or 20 feet tall.  
~~Red~~ Cardinals  
in bushes, one at  
least an immature  
one. Pine Warblers



II

singing here & in  
back of house this  
A.M., then down  
hill to pines.

Phoebe today.

Peewees.

~~Pair of~~ About

a week ago I discovered

the nest of a chip-

sparrow in the outer  
tip of an upper

limb of the walnut  
tree at the chicken house.  
Today I saw one young

III  
in the plum tree below  
the walnut tree, against  
Carl's fence.

Three Sparrows  
Hawks flew over the  
Garden this evening  
near 6 P.M., going  
toward the Orchard.  
Could only observe the  
size & their call,  
"killee, killee, killee"  
as they played in the  
air.  
Some sort of warblers

<sup>IV</sup>  
in the wild cherry  
trees, chipping,  
same as have been  
dropping in successi-  
ally for the last week.  
Seems like Pine W.

Catbird calling;  
Brown thrashers  
calling "sow-what" back  
of fence by barn.  
Bluebirds in garden.  
Scarlet Tanager (Tanager?)  
dwelling on ground under  
apple trees in front of chicken house.



V  
calling all around

Red-breasted nuthatch  
in trees on hill over dark  
pool. A number  
of other Nuthatches  
calling all around.

Chickadees calling nearly  
also Kinglets.

Bluejay in Big beech  
on other side of dark  
pool giving a perfect  
imitation of a Hawk.

Wh. thr. Sparrow  
still in low growth  
near holly trees.

Female Cardinals at pond.  
Violets Blooming.

Little marsh - mint growing  
here. Little yellow  
flowers ~~growing~~  
birds blooming.

Number of Juncos  
pairs & bushes at  
upper end of Crab pond.  
4 or 5 in sight at one  
time x

Oct. 22, 1931 - Thursday.

Harry Wardwick  
in big oak at edge

of young ~~oak~~ large  
pine & ~~oak~~ woods.

Northatch (Red?).

calling all their work  
(pines)

3 or 4 Hermit thrushes  
flying about under  
a big Black oak  
down near Hill, then  
went up beside young  
pines; another calling  
"Chup-chup".

Many wh. thr. - Juncos  
calling all around -  
I whistled. The song, they  
came from all around  
up in pines to about



<sup>very</sup>  
15 ft. above ground -  
up in grass & bushes  
to 10 ft. - 2 or 3  
numbers in sight  
at one time - One  
brightly colored song  
sparrow.

Hermit thrasher  
up in field in bushes -  
one calling "cheep cheep",  
& jerking tail.

Mourning dove  
flying over.

Reddeer calling at  
dark. Cardinal calling

More Kinglets way up  
near spring (in large pipe)  
where beaten path leads  
up to white house in  
clearing - Juncos in  
bushes on edge of  
clearing.

Back in Bubba -  
where road to Aunt Bessy's  
first crosses black muddy  
ground - a woodcock  
jumped from about  
3 or 4 feet in front of  
me - wings whistling &  
calling from side to

VIII

side - got him in  
glasses - looked gray-  
like Wilson's snipe -  
dropped fat & landed  
in March.

Female Purple  
finch singing very low  
and eating berries in  
dogwood tree. Other  
similar song really  
This seems to be  
the same as the song  
I connected with the  
Ruby-C. Kinglet because  
it seemed very similar to  
his, & he was the only



bird I saw. <sup>III</sup>

Killed gray squirrel  
in hollow from cattle  
woods - 3 shots from  
22.

14th(?) snake,

Killed 4 or 5 ft.  
Black snake  
at water hole -  
rattled tail loudly  
in dry leaves -  
3 shots used.

Many juncos &  
Field sparrows  
near persimmon trees.  
Cooper's Hawk

X

flying across  
Babb's field  
branch.

Oct. 29 - 1931 -

Juncos, Kinglets,  
(Golden-crowned). Wh. thr.  
sparrows - Cardinals -  
near road.

Oct. 30, 1931 - Fri.

Six Cardinals flying  
into trees over stream near  
paper box.

Number

Rate

Cong. Dist.

aval Service

Minority

ade



Sept. 27, 1931 - Sun.

In pine back of Paul's;  
Chickadees; Pine Warblers;  
Field Sparrow, Ruby-Crowned  
Kinglet - Downies near  
pond.

Chickadee calling in young  
pines down over hill.

Carolina wren in Redstart  
bottom - within 2 ft of me,  
fussed after flying away.

Oct. 4, 1931 - Sun.

In back of Clubhouse  
numbers of Blackpolls,  
1 brown thrasher, chick  
a-dee - Ruby-C. Kinglets

Near pond - at entrance  
to path - Black Polls -  
R.C. - Kinglets, Chickadees,  
Pine W. Singing, ~~Field Sparrows~~  
Up path beside pond ~~Pine W.~~  
Chickadees, titmouse, Downy,  
Cardinal, R.C. Kinglets,  
Male Bl. thr. Gr. Warbler,  
Singing a whisper song  
"sweezy, swee, over, see"  
often.

II

Male parula W. humilis  
busily

Pine W. singing.  
another B. th. G. W.

breasting in McCanore.

another parula W. humilis  
in maple beside McCanore

Ruby - C. Knight,  
beautiful (facing me) in  
big birch. Beautiful male  
B. th. G. W. in  
same tree

Three pine Warblers  
in top of a large pine.

Red Breasted Nuthatch  
in top of pine nearby.



Oct. 18, 1931 - Sun.

Ruby-Crowned Kinglet  
in big cedar near gate of  
Peggy's garden.

In young pines back  
of Carl's - Chickadee  
& Ruby-Crowned King-  
lets.

up path beside pond -  
near slanting beech -  
a myrtle Warbler is  
hunting around in a large  
pine - all alone. In another  
tree a few yards away  
a Blue Jay woodpecker  
is hammering.

<sup>71</sup>  
Another calling in  
marsh.

Female cardinal  
just flew from alders  
in marsh to alders over  
stream near leaving  
beech.

Robins & sparrows  
calling. Blue-Jay calling.

Near the big lightning-  
broken tulip tree there is  
a tall holly tree & beside  
it a dogwood tree.

In the dogwood tree  
is at least one yellow  
belled Sapsucker (♀)

two Robins, a Hermit  
thrush, and sparrows  
 I couldn't see well  
 enough to identify.

Sapsucker, Hermit  
 Thrush & Sparrows back  
 again. Sapsucker  
 flew to another tree  
 with a berry & a  
 Ruby-cr. Kinglet lit  
 nearby.

Pair of Hermit  
 Thrushes now here -  
 one in a little dead  
 tree - the other on a  
 burnt stump below it.



IV

Robin (♀) in tree.

Another R. C. Knight  
in dogwood.

Pair of White-throated  
Sparrows - first in

Holly - now in dogwood.  
Others calling sleepily  
nearby - answering  
those in tree.

Knight in tree nearby -  
+ in Holly tree - probably  
same one.

Brown Creeper

going up slim pine  
nearby

wh. thr. sparrows

Oct. 24, 1931 - Sat.

Killdeer calling.

Dog on more  
Kinglets in pines down  
near road - had  
lunch they were  
Golden-crowned -  
but couldn't see them.  
Chickadees + Nuthatches  
here, also Cardinals.

Had to help load  
corn on wagon.

When I finally got back  
over the hill I located  
one Ruby-crowned  
Kinglet in the young  
pines near MacMahon's.

woods. Knights all  
~~through trees~~ all none  
~~tree~~ passing for some  
reason, helped by  
a pair of red-breasted  
nuthatches, while  
other nuthatches  
called nearby.  
at least three of  
the Knights were  
Golden-Crowned,  
first I've seen  
this fall. Juncos



in <sup>the</sup> bushes. Blue-  
Jay flying over.

One other bird  
with Kinglets -  
resembled some  
~~some~~ sort of Warbler.  
Small as Kinglets almost,  
seemed to have light  
striping on side of head.

Mockingbirds  
have been singing  
all day.



Oct. 25, 1931 - Sun

Juncos chirping back  
of canal.

Kinglets calling in pines  
located one - seemed to be  
Golden-crown, Nuthatch

calling also - saw one -  
a Red-breast up on side  
of pine eating what seemed  
to be a large bee.

Juncos chirping here  
(near pond & old mill).

Over stream (rough)  
running down hollow to  
pond a Hermit Thrush



It  
is sitting upon the  
limb of an oak calling  
"Chap, Chap." Above  
him is a Golden-Crown  
Kinglet hunting & calling  
a flock of Killdeer  
flies over, calling steadily,  
sometimes fast, sometimes  
slow - going over to our  
field. Robins calling -  
Crow cawing in marsh,  
Bluejays calling -  
Chickadees " &  
singing.

<sup>III</sup>  
a little Ruby-crown  
continually singing a  
very pretty warbling song -  
reminiscent of a purple  
finch - Chickadees all  
about - Blue Jays  
flying around - Orange  
Robins - One Swamp  
Sparrow in alders over  
stream.

One Myrtle Warbler  
flies across marsh into  
Birches here.

Many Swamp sparrows  
in sight now.

Red-rusty Blackbird

here.

Several Cardinals

Three more Myrtle

warblers now close to

me - One immature -

much streaked - nearest

one has all gold spots

bright except one on crown  
which is absent.

More myrtle warblers

all thru trees farther away.

Rusty Blackbird

overhead - just flew

from dogwood tree -

wiping bill 3/4 -

tufted titmouse in



<sup>V</sup>  
low bushes.

Juncos in logwood  
tree. Dogwood trees  
filled with Robins -  
Robins - everywhere -  
chasing each other  
steadily.

Purple Finch (♂)

(♂) in logwood tree,  
busily eating berries.  
Several Crows flying  
about.

Many Juncos about on  
ground & in trees.

Crows fighting a  
huge hawk. I only  
caught a glimpse of  
him as he flew -  
underside of great wings  
was very light - seemed  
white.

Far back up right  
stream feeding pond -  
many birds - Chickadees  
Nuthatches & Blue jays,  
(Red-b.)  
Crawfish - 2 or 3 in. long  
way up stream.

Oct. 31, 1931

Near Road - Juncos,  
White-throated Sparrows,  
Cardinals, Golden -  
Crowned Kinglets &  
Redbreasted Nuthatches  
Swamp - sparrows at  
4 King's in swamps  
Wh, the Sparrow  
singing in Occoquan, along  
river, same as at home.

By Resurrection  
trees - Juncos -  
Kinglets in trees -  
Juncos & Chickadees



in alders in center of  
marsh. Violets +  
other blue flowers  
blooming. Muskrat  
leaves.

Goldfinches calling  
in marsh.

Kinglets + Nuthatches  
over path near Dark  
Pool.

Ruby Crowned Kinglets  
+ Juncos in Marsh -  
in largest willows.

Crows flying over - Pair  
of R.C. Kinglets overhead  
in big willow.

Female Junco hunting  
up side of slanting  
young willow about  
20 ft. high - hopping  
up trunk, then coming  
to perpendicular limb  
& going up it, by means  
of twigs - picking off  
insects now & then,  
apparently - resembled  
Warblers only slower.  
Chickadees, Titmice  
& Juncos beside pond,  
also pair of Downies in  
beech tree & male hanging  
upside down from

pair of beech-nuts  
pecking at them like  
a chickadee.

Heard song - down in  
woods towards old mill,  
but nearer pond -  
sounded like season  
imitating song sparrow  
song same - but flat -  
no expression or music,  
& no pretty "twists".

I was partly concealed  
in the little "alley" between  
young pines & alders beside  
pond where Tom died.  
I answered song once or  
twice & a Song sparrow  
darted by my legs a few  
inches away. H. L.



V

in alders nearly over-  
hanging pond. I whistled  
a few times more, &  
a second one came from  
same place as first,  
& started a fight on  
the alders, during  
which ~~they~~ <sup>they</sup> fell in  
the water twice. Then  
one lit in little clump  
of 2 or 3 alders here,  
& sang very pretty  
"whisper" song while  
I answered, & other  
sang up in other alders.  
First one seemed very

tame, finally flying  
back to alders where  
other one was, one  
sang continuously -  
the prettiest sparrow  
song I have ever  
heard - on the general  
order of an ordinary  
song sparrow song -  
but longer, a seeming  
unending variety of  
beautiful twists &  
quiver affects - often  
reminded me very much  
of a Redwing's song.

VII

No matter how poor  
my attempts at imitation  
were it kept singing  
for several minutes.

All was quite for  
awhile, & I thought they  
were gone, but I whistled  
like a white-throat  
& one <sup>(S. S.)</sup> dashed by calling  
"hep-hep" & bit in much  
grass.





Nov. 1, 1931 — Sun.

Many Juncos at bottom  
of lot!  
Only one "slider" out  
on log today — numbers  
were out yesterday &  
last Sunday.

18th Snake

Killed No 2 ft.  
Banded water Snake —  
in stream at little bend  
where I first saw large ad.  
later eaten by water snake.  
First bullet, fired as  
he swam under leaves  
seemed to start him —

Took him out on bark,  
missed him once & wrecked  
his head next shot.

Each of last shots put  
hole in ground him or more  
in drain, & several in logs.  
Snake curled from last one  
for several minutes.

In little hollow  
running up from place  
where Black Pond is  
there are four white-  
breasted nuthatches and  
one Redbreasted in  
sight at one time.

"Reddy" stays mostly  
to ~~large~~ little limbs -



III

"whitey" follow up &  
down tracks.

Knights calling here  
also.

Bluebirds calling  
faintly somewhere near

Number 7 Chick-  
adee & Titmouse in  
tender back of & to  
left of Dicks Pool,  
Juncos & Golden  
Crowned Knights  
here also.

IV

Female "Goldie" with  
large moth — had  
another a few seconds  
later,

Juncos in bushes  
under big Maple in  
marsh —

Cardinals in bunch  
across stream.

Juncos ✓ Wh-thr  
Sparrows in bushes  
surrounding fallen  
maple here.

Song Sparrow on lot.  
Kinglet (R.C.) in apple trees at  
house — Hummer

Nov. 7, 1911 - Sat.

3 bl. Vulture

sailing ~~very~~ low  
over woodbridge -  
over Riley's mostly -

One or two Turkey -  
Vultures Here also -

Many Turkey Vult.

Wres - sailing down

Southern R.R. track

indicating ~~movement~~

just past tower on

Southern.





Nov. 8, 1931 - Sun.

Gloriously beautiful  
day - a little wind blowing,  
but hardly cool - brilliant  
sunshine - leaves of every  
color,

Kinglets in Big Lake  
Huge Red-tail Hawk  
Soaring low over orchard,  
Castle woods, Crab pond  
& across Bulfinch House

Flock of 2 or 3 doz.

Rusty Blackbirds  
lighting in corn-field,  
later going up into pers-  
immon trees - one male

trying to <sup>11</sup>eat a grain of  
corn he found he  
dropped it from his  
bill.

Many Juncos here -  
One Chipping Sparrow  
in lane. Juncos calling  
chipping, & occasionally  
singing, as in spring.

Kinglets, Chickadees  
& Nuthatches are here  
also, but can't locate  
them - Nuthatches  
calling are Red-breasted

Sliders out on logs in  
the pond.



Juncos in ~~top~~ fallen  
top of big tulip tree  
broken by lightning,  
also in nearby bushes.  
yellow butterfly (H<sup>e</sup>)

flying by.

Many Juncos in upper  
marsh, near big maple -  
Nuthatches calling over  
in hollow.

Small yellow butterfly  
about size of Little  
Blue - Brown spots on  
wings & antlers young.  
Song Sparrow calling  
alders in marsh - beside pond.

IV

Out in marsh here there  
is a clump of several little  
willow trees I now have.

In them are three song  
Sparrows, two side by  
side about six inches  
above the ground one about  
3 inches above ground.

In pine down near  
pond were several Red-br  
nuthatches - Some titmice,  
Chickadees, & Kinglets.

Red-br nuthatches  
in back of cards -

Many Juncos here.

Nov. 15, 1931 - Sun.

Heard Kinglets outside window this morning.

Juncos around oak tree - Song Sparrow in bottom of lot. Mockingbird on top of tool house.

Juncos by persimmon trees. Goldfinches calling.

Red-breasted nuthatch in young pines -  
let me walk to with  
6 or 8 ft. of heart I as  
I called. Others  
calling all about in  
large pines -



II  
In green birch &  
Oak woods on run  
to old mill (mill race)  
there were White-Breasts  
Nuthatches, Chickadees,  
Titmice, Juncos,  
& one winter wren  
on crooked, large, grape  
vine near ground, then  
in birches.

Woodpecker hammering  
up near pond (Downy?)

Kinglets here.

Slide out on logs in  
lower <sup>end of</sup> pond - Papa saw  
a Box turtle Thursday.

Crawfish about 2' in  
long in eddy behind  
big mass of honeysuckle  
roots at falls -  
straining mud.

Chickadee over in  
big pine down stream.

Forget-me-nots  
blooming (blues)  
beside Big Black Oak  
at pond.

Violet blooming in  
little marsh.

Large Dragon fly  
flying about - lit on my  
cap. Pair of small

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? Red-banded dragon-  
flies - scrambling all  
about on leaves in air -  
about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in. long -  
one or 2 red-brown spots  
on edges of wings - little  
red one chasing large dark  
one - Pair of Song Sparrows  
in alder near fallen  
pine - Goldfinches calling  
- Titmouse hammering  
away like a woodpecker  
in dead pine, just above  
water - others in trees,  
Two cardinals in  
alders over stream -  
Large brown katydid -



V

flew from bush to side  
of tree.

Juncos hunting in tops  
of two tall pines 4 ft.  
apart, & continually  
flitting back & forth  
between the pines,  
performing evolutions  
in the air like a flycatcher,  
& apparently catching  
small flies which can  
be seen flying about  
tops of trees. Red-br.  
Nuthatch & one kinglet  
in tops of some trees.

Sweet clover ~~is~~ blooming  
everywhere - very pretty  
yellow blossoms.

<sup>VI</sup>  
Goldfinches calling all  
about.

Several sliders are  
a frog up in little  
pool where large eel  
stayed.

Pan of Golden-Cr.  
Knight in hollow near  
"Dark Mud". Others  
calling. Many juncos in  
trees.

Song Sparrows calling  
in next woods, on ~~the~~  
left stream from pond,  
& in hollow leading from  
dark mud - Call - sounds  
like small hawk - can't see  
anything.

<sup>VII</sup>  
on path home, where  
fallen trees lie around  
large pine leans into  
another - Nuthatches  
calling - Kinglets -  
two downies - winter  
wren in fallen trees.

Many Red-br.  
Nuthatches in,  
back of Carl's - Kinglets  
calling in several  
places also.





Nov. ~~24~~, 1931 - Sun.

Very Beautiful day -  
as they have been for 2 or 3  
weeks - brilliant sunshine -  
warm - just a trace of

Coolness to make it fine -

Red-breasted nuthatch  
on road into St. Henry -  
Junco

Back of Carl's -

Cardinals eating seeds  
of giant tulip tree -

Many juncos everywhere -

Wh. Br. Nuthatch

on Tulip tree - Female  
Downy on oak behind  
me - other Nuthatches

calling, - <sup>11</sup> Song Sparrow  
singing - Juncos singing  
also Field Sparrow.  
Another Downy in  
little hollow in small  
tree, only 6 or 8 in. above  
ground.

Chickadees - many  
Goldfinches.

Slivers out on bank  
of pond - Song Sparrows  
out in marsh - Nuthatches  
calling on both sides of  
pond - Crows cawing  
Kinglets calling near Black  
Hud - Nuthatches  
Song Sparrows calling  
all about upper marsh



~~Mon~~

Nov. 23, 1931 - Mon.

About 20 ducks flying  
over house at dusk.

Thurs. Nov. 25, 1931 <sup>Wed</sup> ~~Th~~

Juncos at House.

Juncos at pond.

Small red-bodied

Dragonfly floating in pond.

Colder today - ice at house.

Song Sparrow calling &  
singing. Titmice in trees  
over pond. Chickadees  
& Kinglets calling.

Within a radius of  
2 or 3 yds. here beside  
right stream, near

II  
upper nest hole, there  
are 3 or 4 mice or shrews  
running all about under  
leaves, but never showing  
themselves.

Downy Woodpecker  
drumming steadily  
nearby.

Chickadees & Kinglets  
calling steadily.

Junco hunting about  
in tops of tall pines.

Goldfinches calling  
& flying about in a large  
Maple - seem to be  
eating buds.

Numbers of Song Sparrows  
in alder over stream.

III

Juncos Chipping here,  
Woodpecker drumming  
up right stream.

Red-br. Nuthatch  
in pines up near  
stricken Tulip tree.  
Grasshoppers flying  
all about in open & along  
road.

Kinglets (G.C.), Chick-  
adees & nuthatches  
calling all about.

Bluebirds calling,  
& song sparrows also.





Dec. 4, 1931 - Fri.

Mama that she saw a  
Red-headed Woodpecker  
in burnt-tree - fog too  
thick for her to be sure

Sat Dec. 5, 1931 -

Juncos - Song-  
Sparrows in Garden -  
Brilliant male  
Cardinal in front.  
Bluebird

Sun, Dec. 6, 1931 -

Beautiful day -

Juncos everywhere.  
Many "at perches on trees."  
Kinglets calling low & sleepily  
in trees here.

Many Juncos and Marsh  
Chickadees here too, all  
calling & singing -  
Kinglets (G.C.) calling over  
at Grakatcher Pt.

Female Downy W. going  
up tall birches, while  
White - Br. Nuthatch  
hunts on nearby dead  
pine which contains  
Woodpecker holes -  
Goldfinches in trees, calling  
Red - Br. Nuthatch lives  
at wh. Br. with hissing,  
grating sound & chanked  
him down trunk - other  
nuthatches all about.



### III

Large sliders head  
poked out from under  
leaves in bottom of  
Eel Hole - quickly  
withdrawn.

Little frogs hopping  
all along streams.

In mouth of little  
stream drinking flooded  
upper reach into right  
stream - Very large slider  
coming out 2 or 3 ft. from  
mouth - Smaller slider  
going in.

Over road beside  
pond - up near muskrat  
lead - Red-B. & Wh-B.

<sup>IV</sup>  
Nuthatches - Chickadees,  
Juncos, and a  
Brown Creeper on  
a dead pine, squawking  
as it hatched up.

Another Brown C.  
or perhaps same one,  
going up lunch tree above  
and Red. Br. - hatch, &  
below another one.

See a Br. Creeper  
now in an oak nearby,  
may be same one.

Chickadees, wh. Br. -  
Nuthatches + Goldfinches  
here.

<sup>V</sup>  
Song Sparrow calling  
steadily out in marsh.





Dec. 13, 1931 - Sun.

Juncos / Chipping around  
house - Cardinals also -  
very dark day - occasional  
showers - heavy mist  
noon.

Kinglets calling near  
pond - over falls

Chickadees here too,  
calling & fussing.

Pair of Song Sparrows  
Many Juncos on shore  
of pond near outlet

Pair of hairy Woodpeckers  
in top of giant oak down  
below falls.

Titmice with Chickadees  
& Kinglets -

II  
Water Nests of B. water  
bugs out in pond -  
Red-br. Nuthatches  
in pines beside  
"grove" of young holly  
trees.

Hermit Thrush  
eating holly berries,  
here - I heard him  
calling "put" - "put" for  
several minutes, & that  
it was a blackbird.

Slider in "eel pool" -  
diving for cover.

Song Sparrows calling  
near here.

At home - Many  
Juncos in garden &



little <sup>III</sup> apple orchard,

Five Field Sparrows  
in sight on garden  
fence at one time.

One Song Sparrow —

one beautiful Male

Cardinal. One Starling

in full winter plumage.

Tho' the day feels like

spring, I was out

this morning for

an hour or so, with

my shirt sleeves rolled  
up.



Dec. 20, 1931 - Sun.

Juncos & Song - Sparrow  
at spring. Many Juncos  
here.

G.C. Kinglets calling  
in McMahon's woods.

Cardinal Chipping  
Chickadee calling -  
all at London Bridge.

Juncos in Leary  
Place - In woods near  
y. <sup>(Great?)</sup> point - G.C. -  
Kinglets - Pair of Br.  
Creepers - Red Br.  
Nuthatches.



<sup>4</sup>  
Cardinal in woods here  
on little stream near  
putty Holly tree

Winter Wren up  
stream in McH's woods  
near Hogwire fence ✓

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At pond about 2:30 -  
Song Sparrows calling in marsh.  
Cardinal Chirping in alders  
over stream.  
Chickadees calling -  
Many Juncos, especially  
near Holly trees.  
Shiner swimming in  
eel pool.

Yellow-bellied -

Sapsucker in  
beech tree beside.

Dark Oak-tree is  
right in back of tree on  
which one did so  
much excavating last  
spring - This one hung  
upside down from  
the tip of a slender  
beech twig, like a  
chickadee - eating  
at beech nuts - then  
flew yard or two to  
tall persimmon



IV

tree - remaining  
opposite of the  
Numbers of Titmice  
& Chickadees here  
Many numerous  
swimming about  
in pond & in stream.  
Kinglets calling.